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Strange and Wonderful PROPHECY, Pointing out the Glorious Success OF GREAT BRITAIN

Under the Victorious Arms of his present Ma-
jesty King WILLIAM the Third.

Found in the Commentaries on the Revelations of St. John
the Evangelist, with some Explorations on the Particulars,
to give the Reader an insight as to what may seem dark
or obscure, and other matters highly worthy our serious
Consideration in the present Juncture of Affairs.

With a PRAYER, or suitable Wishes for the fulfilling this
Prophecy, in the Glory of his Majesties future Success.

*And the Lord said, shall I hide from Abraham that thing
which I do? Gen. 18. v. 17.*

*Jam furor humanus usq[ue] de peccato sensum
Explit, & animi spirans præludia Phœbus.* Claudi.

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... e la tuo guidino!

George H. Clegg

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the New World, & sets to work to make a Colony or State, or
beginning no sooner, than which has been done, all

~~the Colonies have been established, & the Government of the United States
is now in full force.~~

Afternoons in the City of Boston, I was very near the
edge of town, & directed my course toward Boston, with the
idea that I might enjoy some time in the city before I
got home, & so I stopped to walk about, & enjoyed myself.

Strange and Wonderful
news came from Boston, that the
Revolutionary Government had been
overthrown by the British, & that the
King had been restored to his former power.

PROPHETCY.

READER, We impose nothing new to startle your
most serious Considerations, when we tell you that
Presages, Prophecies, or Predictions in almost all
the Ages of the World, have been held Emphati-
cal, not only in the Jewish Church, but by different Nations
that were without its Pail; the Ancients relied upon them, as
the sense of Oracles committed sundry ways to the minds of
contemplative Men; as to a Divine Closet, from whence by the
Organical Instruments of the Voice, or by Writing, they might
be communicated to others, and spread abroad to give an in-
sight of future things, and in some measure make incen-sible
what should happen many years after. Jacob foretold the
future Success of the Twelve Tribes; and Joseph his Son was
so confident of their Deliverance, that he laid an Obligation
on them, that they should take with them his Bones when
they went out of Egypt, affixing them the time, as near as the
Computation of time will admit in Sacred Record, when they
should be delivered from the power of the Egyptian Kings.
Cyrus, King of Persia and Media, was named by the Pro-
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phet to release the Captivity of the Children of *Israel*, carried away by the *Babylonians* and *Chaldeans*, about an hundred years before it came to pass. And all along in Sacred Writ we find many Prophecies fulfilled, and others there recorded that are not as yet fulfilled. *Alexander* the Great's Conquests in *Asia* were foretold by *Daniel* long before they came to pass, or many years before he was born or thought on; and the Greek Empire was described under the Figure or Simile of a He-Goat, which overcame the Ram, pushing divers ways, signifying, according to the interpretation of the Learned and most Curious in these *Mysteries*, *Darius* Emperor of *Media* and *Perse*, who then stretched his proud Sceptre almost over all *Asia*, and lost his Life and Empire in contending with *Alexander* King of *Macedon*. Many other Transactions and Affairs that have hapned in Empires, Kingdoms, and States we might mention, which for brevities sake are here omitted, tho' long foretold. The *Romans* held the Prophecies of the Sybil's Sacred, that none but the Priests or Flamines were allowed to repeat them; and the wondering People were amazed at their strange Events; But to come closer, why may not minds of later dates, strangely inspired by a Superior Influence, point at our present Affairs, and describe the Person perhaps long since allotted or appointed by Heaven for our Deliverer, delineating the Glorious Succes of his Arms and Conduct in the description of his Person? For it in many Circumstances falls exactly upon his present Majesty King *William*, and has hitherto given us no doubt of its meaning, though Penn'd by all conjecture some hundred years past, and miraculously found out and communicated not only to this, but other Nations; giving us more especially a pregnant hope of Successes and Victories abroad. And seeing it has been contemplated and quitted by the most Learned and Judicious Authors when they came in any manner to treat of things of this nature; we shall first

first we shall inspect it, and then proceed as far as we conceive
it will conveniently bear, to give our Judgment on it as to its
Interpretation.

The P R O P H E C Y from one to the
next to presenting his arm'd oil glob'd

THERE shall arise a King out of the Nation of the Most Illustrious Lily, having a long Forehead, high Brows, fierce Eyes, and an Eagle's Nose. He shall gather a great Army, and destroy all the Tyrants of his Kingdom. And slay all that hide themselves in Caves and Mountains from his Face. For Righteousness shall be joined unto him as the Bridegroom to the Bride. With them he shall wage War, even unto the Farthest Tiar, bringing into subjection the Islanders, Spaniards, and Italians: Rome and Florence shall be destroyed and burnt with Fire, so that Salt may be sown on that Land. The greatest Clergy Men, who have invaded Peter's Chain, he shall put to death; and in the same Year obtain a double Crown. At last, going over Sea with a great Army he shall enter Greece, and be named King of the Greeks. The Turks and Barbarians he shall subdue, making an Edict that every one shall give the due worship to the crucified One, and none shall be found able to resist him, because an Holy Arm from the Lord shall be with him: he shall possess the Dominion of the Earth. These things being done, he shall be called the Rest of Holy Christians. Thus far the Prophecy as we find it recited by Daniel Parrot in his Commentaries on the Revelations, by Mr. Lilly, the famous English Astrologer, in his stupendious and mysterious Hieroglyphicks, and in the Works of other Learned Men.

It remains then that we cautiously consider what may reasonably be gathered from this.

And first, there shall arise a King out of the Nation of the Most Illustrious Lily. We all know that King Charles the

the First of *England* married *Henrietta Maria* Daughter to *Henry the Fourth of France*; and that the Illustrious Princess ————— Daughter to King *Charles*, was Mother to his present Majesty, and so he may be said to arise out of the most Illustrious Nation of the *Lily*, that Flower being the Arms and Cognizance of *France*.

Secondly, *Having a High Forehead, High Browes, Three Eyes, and an Eagle's*, or as we term it, a *Roman Nose*. This we leave to the consideration of those skilled in Phisick-nomy, who have given themselves the Happiness of seeing his Majesty, to make their judgment on the Parallel or Likeness. But by the way, it may otherwise be supposed, the *Eagle* being the Cognizance of the *German Empire*, that word may denote a Prince nearly Allied to it, and so it happens, his Predecessors making there a considerable Figure, as being one of the most Illustrious Houses, &c.

Thirdly, *He shall gather a great Army, and destroy all the Tyrants of his Kingdom*. This seems properly attributed to the late Revolution. As for the Army, the matter is plain; but as to the destroying the Tyrants, it may be taken for the putting to Flight, driving out, and bringing to Justice those that by sinister and unwarrantable ways oppressed the People, and went about by Force and Violence to betray our Laws and Liberties, &c. And the meaning of Slaying may be supposed depriving them of their Power to do Mischief, and frustrating them in their wicked Designs.

Fourthly, *And Slay all that fly, and hide themselves in Mountains and Caves from his Face*. This may be alluded to the late Glorious Victories and Successes in *Ireland* over the Rebels and Rapparees, who have been forced to sculk about in Caves and Mountains to save themselves; yet many have been slain that have so fled from his Face, in hopes of shelter there.

Fifthly,

Fifthly, *For Righteousness shall be joined to him as the Bridegroom to the Bride.* This is plain and inseparable from all his Actions, since he appear'd in any active Figure on the Stage of the World, of which we might give innumerable instances, but many of late appearing perspicuous, it may be looked upon as needless.

Sixthly, *With them he shall wage War, even unto the Fortieth Year.* This we must leave to a relying upon the credit of the Prophecy, and the glorious Advantages expected from so long a War under a Prince on whose Arms Victory has leisure to wait. As to what follows, *In bringing into Subjection the Islanders, Spaniards and Italians:* It does not appear, but as he won the first by Love, and was approved by their choice, so the two last may be said to be subjected, by being in a League of Amity with him, in Confederating against the common Enemies, the French King and Turk, the present Threatners and Disturbers of Christendom.

Seventhly, *Rome and Florence shall be destroyed and burnt with Fire, so that Salt may be sowed in that Land.* This may be taken in some sense two ways; either by actually laying those places desolate, or by abolishing the Romish Religion there predominant, and re-establish the purity of the Gospel, by sowing there the true Seed of God's Word: For the Apostles in the Scripture are called by our Blessed Saviour, *the Sals of the Earth,* so that we must leave it doubtful. And indeed by what follows, it may signify an abolition of the Popish Clergy, viz. 'The greatest Clergy-men who have invaded Peter's Chair he shall put to Death; or perhaps, to be more moderate, despoil them of their Power and Grandure usurped and exercised over their fellow-Christians. As for his obtaining in the same year a double Crown, it may happen by adding another Kingdom to the rest of his Dominions, in despoiling the Pope of his Temporal Territories in Italy. As for the rest of the Prophecy.

phesy it needs no explanation, and those only can understand Wishes that it may be fulfilled, as said in the Psalm King shall see his to spread under the Conqueror and Commanding Arms of our Conquering Monarch, the British and Indian of the British Empire to the ends of the Earth, whom and

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~~to gibes and annoyances & of every kind even unto death~~
A Suitable PRAYER for the fulfilling of this Prophesy in His Majesties future Success, and of
~~and to give us our due portion in the world and to have or obtain~~

O Lord God, Glorious and Almighty, on whom all depend, the Strength of Madame Marts, and in whose hands is the Balance of all the Kingdoms of the Earth, make known thy Will concerning the Affairs of men, on Earth, and of those that rise up against us, and inspire us with a pure and Christian Zeal to prevail against our professed Enemies, that the Gospel of our Lord Jesus may now effectually vanquish Error, Superstition, Arrocity, and Prophaneness, so that the Tree which thou own Right Hand has planted may spread His Branches to the ends of the World. Let thy Right Hand and Immediate Protection protect and support thy Servant and our Dread Sovereign in his Undertakings, by crowning him with Victories and Success, and in all Dangers spread thy sheltering Wings over him, so that nothing formed against him for his hurt may prosper. O let him from his defeat upon his Enemies, and keep him in perpetual Victory, that he may be a comfort and Refuge to our People, and here with, Victory and Honour, and hereafter with an innumerable train of Glory, make him the Joy of these Kingdoms, of nations, their peoples, and a President of Peace to succeeding Generations, Amen.

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